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To those who can make a difference.

The Austin American Statesman carried an article on the TV Program that caught my eye. The headline was "Stations Pay Attention to Children's Programs". It stated that the Fox station will have an animated version of "Where in the World is Carmen Sandiego?" ABC-CRO which sounds promising + CBS also is picking up something from the Learning Channel. (your address was at the end of the article (an admet!)) I am one who tests much of the TV now available. I'm glad my husband enjoys the sports shows because I can head or study + these shows don't distract me. But the "PG" rated + even "PG" rated all rampant + TV and I am offended by these. The inappropriate image given to children of all ages is damaging + alarming.

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I would like to refer to a quotation of Hilary Clinton + relate it to the TV influence on children's morals. She said in relation to being responsible for our behavior

and ~~the~~^{all} bad (drugs - murder) etc
involving our children that the degradation
"permeates everywhere + is difficult
to turn around. ~~But~~ because once license
is allowed to take precedence + consequences
are not immediate, people get demoralized,
feel victimized + feed on it self,"
from PARADE Sunday April 11, 1993.

Like wise our children viewing inappro-
priate behavior on TV, disgusting
language, violence, ugliness —
this becomes a part of them —
It is in their mind and cannot
be totally erased, especially if there
isn't other behavior or stories or
books that counter balance this
influence.

For more appropriate TV to
be offered for children would
also possibly offer people like
myself an alternate choice for
viewing also!! Just don't allow
it to be the ridiculous cartoon
garbage. Even the cartoons from
the 30s + 40s have no good
values. They are destructive + ridiculous
never were funny really!!

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Dear Sir:

As a teacher and a parent, I urge you to tighten broadcast standards on behalf of American children. I am outraged at the content of television programs aimed at children and teenagers during the hours they are most likely to watch, especially after school.

Many of the children I see in my classroom watch TV for three or more hours per day. It is imperative that the intent of the Children's Television Act be carried out and that broadcasters be held to strict guidelines as to the types of programs allowed under the mandate to educate and inform children.

The medium of television has far-reaching potential to enhance the lives of all of us, but in too many instances it has been misused to sell our children rather than informing and educating them.

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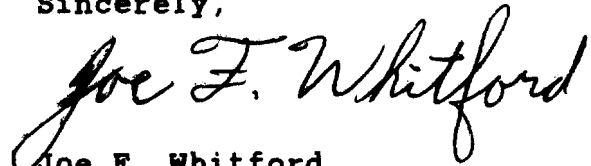
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Dear Mr. Quello:

I encourage you to strengthen the regulations regarding children's educational programs. I think improved regulation currently provides the best and most easily available opportunity for improving the American public school system. More science, more mathematics, and more writing is what the kids need; not more animated superheroes and sitcom reruns.

Sincerely,



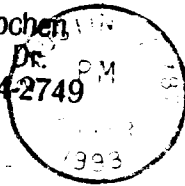
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Dear Mr. Zullo, HM 93 48 4/24/93
I am a recently retired elementary school librarian (and former University librarian). We have moved to Austin, Texas, from Houston, to be near our five grandchildren (ages 2 1/2 - 7 1/2). I am truly appalled at what is being shown on TV!!! American children are being fed garbage. So many parents work. TV becomes their supposed "lifeline" while they prepare dinner, cope with chores and daily routine. Please, please, Mr. Zullo - support those organizations around our nation who want to improve children's television. Help those groups who are campaigning for higher standards. Support the "Children's Television Act." Improve the program quality, cut out violence in so-called "cartoons" & cut enticing ads! Please help our children grow up right.
Mrs. D. & Sharon Dochen